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TOPIC General Military Information.

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EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT 11 to 28 September 1952

25X1 DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 23 October 1952

REFERENCES [REDACTED]

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REMARKS

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1. [REDACTED] two trains with 8 x 85-mm AA guns, 6 about 50-mm mortars and approximately 300 soldiers were unloaded in Magdeburg on 11 September 1952. The trains had allegedly arrived from Schwerin and Neubukow.

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[REDACTED] one empty train had to be dispatched to Neubukow daily until 1 October.

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2. [REDACTED] the Eustrow firing range is to be vacated by 1 October. Since 16 September, only loadings have been observed in Neubukow. The firing range will reportedly not be reoccupied before next year. (1)

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3. On 19 September, [REDACTED] the commanding officer of the regiment stationed in Berlin-Cruenau-Koepenick and Biesdorf was Colonel Shilov (fnu). He had just returned from a leave in the U.S.S.R. Colonel Mulkov (fnu) is deputy VCB commander in Berlin-Cruenau. He lives in the restricted area. (2)

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4. At 11:30 a.m. on 22 September, troops were entrained at the Genthin (M 53/Z 03) railroad station. Guns [REDACTED] were observed. (3)

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5. [REDACTED] the Lieberose summer camp that the first units scheduled to leave the camp on 1 and 2 October were those from Frankfurt/Oder. During the reported period, there was an acute shortage of gasoline at the camp. [REDACTED] vehicles were stalled on the road because of no gasoline. (4)

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10 to 12 T-34 tanks, trucks with mortars and other trucks were entrained in Rathenow. Road junctions in the Gross Muckee-Rathenow area were guarded by Soviet traffic posts. (6)

7. At 6:10 a.m. on 26 September, a train of 12 boxcars carrying about 300 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and tank insignia, 6 boxcars loaded with billeting equipment and an undetermined number of flatcars loaded with T-34/85 tanks, 6 motorcycles, 4 x 76.2-mm AA guns, and 16 trucks was observed at the Bernau freight station. Twelve trucks loaded with equipment which had been unloaded from another train were also seen at the railroad station. (7)

8. At 2:30 p.m. on 28 September, about 100 flatcars were unloaded at the Bernau railroad station. Six 57-mm AT guns, 6 rocket launchers and about 50 trucks were observed. (7)

Comments.

- (1) It is believed that these trains carried units of the 3d Gds AAA Div which returned from the Mustraw firing range to their military posts. a train was dispatched from Neubukow to Magdeburg on 10 September. The evacuation of the Mustraw firing range by 1 October agrees with observations made last year. The reference report indicates that almost only outgoing shipments were observed at the Mustraw firing range.
- (2) Colonel Shilov (Gna) was the commanding officer of a unit in Berlin-Gruenau.
- (3) These loadings probably involved units of the IV Arty Corps.
- (4) In 1951, the units of the 7th Gds Mecz Div did not return to their posts before the second half of October.
- (5) It is believed that this train carried elements of the 312th Gds RL Regt of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army, which had participated in the exercises held by this army in the area south of Rathenow-Mennhausen. This unloading was connected with a previous unloading observed from Eberswalde.
- (6) As the maneuvers of the Third Shock Army were not completed at the date of this unloading, the units involved possibly belonged to this army.
- (7) observed the detraining of units of the 6th Gds Mecz Div in Bernau on 26 September. It is believed that units of this division returned to their posts after the completion of summer exercises which terminated about three weeks earlier than in 1951.

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